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## ***OPERATION SKYLINE NETS 45 ARRESTS AND SIGNIFICANT DRUG SEIZURES IN TROUBLED AREA OF SOUTHEAST SAN DIEGO***

SAN DIEGO -- The area in and around the Meadowbrook Apartments in South East San Diego has been affected by drug and gang-related violence in recent months. In response to this situation, a partnership of local, state and federal agencies initiated Operation Skyline, targeting the drug dealers and gang members in the neighborhood. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) assisted in this operation.

On Aug. 25, the operation was successfully closed. The operation was a six-month-long undercover investigation centered around the Meadowbrook Apartment complex at Paradise Valley Road and Meadowbrook Drive in San Diego.

During the course of the operations, 45 people were arrested on drug and gun charges and more than 75 drug exhibits were seized. Also seized were in excess of 15 pounds of high-grade "ice" methamphetamine, two ounces of "black tar" heroin, approximately 10 ounces of cocaine, more than \$36,000 in cash, and three vehicles. Additionally, San Diego Child Protective Services responded to nine cases of drug-endangered children.

ATF was responsible for nine firearm seizures, and charged five individuals with being a felon or an illegal alien in possession of a firearm, both violations of the federal firearms laws.

"ATF will continue to investigate and arrest gang members involved in criminal activities," said John Torres, Special Agent in Charge of the Los Angeles Field Division.

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